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"GREEN's" INFORMATION ON WAR PRODUCTION IN CANADA (1944)

From: OTTAWA

To: MOSCOW

No: 48

22 Jan. 44

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To the Director.

[75 groups unrecoverable, 3 groups unrecovered]

[Q% men.] [2 groups unrecovered] [Q% began to fall sharply]. At the end of 1944 the construction of ships will be stopped.

2. On the Italian front the troops of the FOREST[LESNOJ][i] army consist of the 1st and 2nd Infantry Divisions.

3. [According to][a] GREEN's[GRIN][ii] data production of the Tank Buster [TANK BUSTER][b] is proceeding at the rate of [1 group unrecovered] a month and [1 group unrecovered] tanks over and above the plan for [2 groups unrecovered]. The grand total on 1 January 1944

[16 groups unrecoverable]

[Q% A]1" are supposed to be delivered [1 group unrecovered] vehicles of which at the beginning of 1944 only [D% 178] had been delivered and sent overseas. The remaining [1 group unrecovered] will be delivered in January, 1944. Now being tested is an "anti-aircraft" [sic!][c] which will fit on the M3A1 and will have three guns (possibly Bofors) instead of six 3-pounder guns. Testing has been going on since summer last year.

4. ECONOMIST[ECONOMIST][iii] up to now has not obtained detailed data on the Buster for handing over to us.

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To the Chief Director.

[1 group unrecovered] 1944 was [d] sent <sup>to</sup> you [8 groups unrecovered]  
 [1 package] (books) there was [G] a note about the sending [7 groups unrecovered],  
 because it proved impossible to send the typewriter [u] with [1 package], and  
 together with the typewriter [u] the books will remain as well. (See our No. 11). [f]

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Notes: [a] Supplied by the translator.

[b] Or the Buster Tank. It is not clear whether this is meant  
 to refer to a type of tank or an anti-  
 tank weapon.

[c] In Latin letters.

[d] Or "ware".

[e] Or "sewing-machine".

[f] Not available.

Comments: [i] FOREST : Canadian; in a NEW YORK message LESOVSKIJ was used.  
 Both are adjectives associated with the invented name  
 LESOVIIJa, meaning "Canada" formed from LES "forest, wood".

[ii] GREEN : [REDACTED]

[iii] ECONOMIST: Ivan I. KROTOV, Soviet Commercial Attaché in OTTAWA.

[iv] GRANT : Colonel Nikolaj ZABOTIN, Soviet Military Attaché  
 in OTTAWA.

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